

REMARKS

Claims 56-77 remain pending.

Claims 56, 57, 64-66 and claim 74 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 52-54 of U.S. Patent No. 6,327,178. The '178 patent is in the family lineage of the present application. In order to obviate this rejection, a Terminal Disclaimer is being submitted herewith. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 59-63, 67-73, and 75-77 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but otherwise contain allowable subject matter. The relevant base claims should now be allowable, accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is also respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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